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NEWS RELEASE

Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the filing of an Indictment¹ against Peter Rhein ("Rhein"), former treasurer of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) AFL-CIO, Local Union 3845, Unit Lincoln Technical Institute, charging him with six counts of embezzling union funds in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 501(c), and eight counts of making false statements to the federal government in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Peter Rhein	Philadelphia, PA	42

If convicted of all charges, Rhein faces a maximum possible sentence of 70 years, 3 years of supervised release, and fines totaling \$3,500,000.

The case was investigated by the Department of Labor's Office of Labor-Management Standards and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mark B. Dubnoff.

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